

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently amended) A process for the handling of objects, comprising handing over the containers [(4)] to an intake station [(5)] on a rotating conveyor [(2)], conveyed by the rotating conveyor [(2)] first to a discharge station [(10)] and again to the intake station [(5)], past the discharge station [(10)] and, no sooner than upon a second reaching of the discharge station [(10)], removing the containers [(4)] from the rotating conveyor [(2)], and wherein one section [(16)] in the direction of transport [(A)] between the intake station [(5)] and the discharge station [(10)] is passed through multiple times.

2. (Currently amended) A process in accordance with claim 1, wherein the section [(16)] is passed through two times, and that, upon every passage of the rotating conveyor [(2)] in the intake station [(5)], only every second conveying station [(3)] on the rotating conveyor [(2)] is occupied, and, in the discharge station [(10)], only every second conveying station [(8)], displaced by one conveying station [(3)] relative to the intake station [(5)], is emptied.

3. (Currently amended) A process in accordance with claim 1, further comprising carrying out a processing of the container [(4)] in the section multiply passed through [(16)], between the intake station [(5)] and the discharge station [(10)].

4. (Currently amended) A process in accordance with claim 3, wherein the processing of the same container [(4)] is carried out upon every passage through the multiple through-passage section [(16)].

5. (Currently amended) A process in accordance with claim 1, wherein the section multiply passed through [(16)] is shorter than half the rotating section of the rotating conveyor [(2)], and that the containers [(4)] only pass through this shorter section [(16)]

after the intake.

6. (Currently amended) A device for the handling of objects, comprising a rotating conveyor [(2)] provided with conveying stations [(3)] and on which an intake station [(5)] and a discharge station [(10)] are arranged, a section [(16)] of the rotating conveyor [(2)] being designed as a multiple through-passage section [(16)] in the direction of transport [(A)] between the intake- and the discharge stations [(5, 10)], the rotating conveyor [(2)] is designed in such a manner that it conveys the objects first past the discharge station and back to the intake station.

7. (Currently amended) A device in accordance with claim 6, wherein only every second conveying station [(3)] of the rotating conveyor [(2)] is available upon one rotation of the rotating conveyor [(2)] through the intake station [(5)], and only every second conveying station [(3)] of the rotating conveyor [(2)], displaced relative to the intake station [(5)] by one conveying station [(3)], can be emptied by the discharge station [(10)].

8. (Currently amended) A device in accordance with claim 6 wherein the rotating conveyor [(2)] has an odd number of conveying stations [(3)].

9. (Currently amended)] A device in accordance with claim 6, wherein the multiple through-passage section [(16)] has a length that corresponds to less than half the number of conveying stations [(3)] of the rotating conveyor [(2)].

10. (Currently amended) A device in accordance with claim 6, wherein the discharge station [(10)] is, in the direction of transport [(A)], positioned behind the intake station [(5)] and directly adjacent to the intake station [(5)].

11. (Currently amended) A device in accordance with claim 6, further comprising a processing device [(17)] for the containers [(4)] positioned in the multiple through-passage section [(16)].

12. (Currently amended) A device in accordance with claim 11, wherein the processing device [(17)] is a testing device for the repeated, temporally spaced determination of parameters.

13. (Currently amended) A device in accordance with claim 6, wherein the intake station [(5)] has an intake star wheel [(6)], the active conveying stations [(8)] of which have double the spacing distance [(b)] of the conveying stations [(3)] of the rotating conveyor [(2)].

14. (Currently amended) A device in accordance with claim 6, wherein the intake station [(5)] contains a separating device [(9)] by which the containers [(4)] can be brought into a spacing distance [(b)] corresponding to double the spacing distance [(a)] of the conveying stations [(3)] of the rotating conveyor [(2)].

15. (Currently amended) A device in accordance with claim 6, wherein the discharge station [(10)] has a discharge star wheel [(12)], the active conveying stations [(13)] of which are positioned at a spacing distance [(b)] which corresponds to double the spacing distance [(a)] of the conveying stations [(3)] of the rotating conveyor [(2)].

16. (Currently amended) A device in accordance with claim 6, and an intake star wheel [(6)] supplied by a helical separating unit [(9)], a carousel [(2)] with an odd number of conveying stations [(3)], a discharge star wheel [(12)], and a testing device [(17)], whereby the discharge star wheel [(12)] is positioned, in the direction of transport [(A)], adjacent to the intake star wheel [(6)], whereby a double through-passage section [(16)], on which section the testing device [(17)] is positioned, is formed between the

intake- and the discharge star wheel [(6, 12)], and whereby, upon one rotation of the carousel [(2)] through the intake star wheel [(6)], only every second conveying station [(3)] of the carousel [(2)] is available, and only every second conveying station [(3)], displaced relative to the intake star wheel [(6)] by one conveying station, can be emptied through the discharge star wheel [(12)].